

FISCAL NOTE

SB 811 - HB 1274

March 19, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires each county official to provide computer access and remote electronic access (for inquiry only) to information that is maintained on computer storage media in that office. Provides for the county official to charge a reasonable fee, and provides that such information must be protected against alteration, deletion or impairment by any remote user.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$100,000 One Time
- Exceeds \$100,000 Recurring

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 Over Time

Assumes that any local government which currently maintains automated records and data systems must make such information available for public access. Estimate assumes that such local government would be required to purchase equipment, software, and expertise under the provisions of the bill, and would experience increased expenditures, both one-time and recurring, exceeding \$100,000.

Also assumes that, to the extent that the local government provided such access and chose to charge a user fee to recover the costs of providing such service, such local government would experience an increase in revenues exceeding \$100,000 over time.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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